

## Financial Aid Checklist

1. Apply for admission at [northlandcollege.edu/apply](http://northlandcollege.edu/apply)
  - a. Apply for Financial Aid EARLY and remember you will need to REAPPLY for Financial Aid each school year.
  - b. FAFSA stands for Free Application for Federal Student Aid.
2. Go to [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov) to complete the FAFSA. You must first start by creating an FSA User ID and Password. It is very important that you save this information. You will need your FSA user ID and password to sign and submit your FAFSA, you will also need it to complete the student loan process.
  - a. You will need your federal tax information for the appropriate year to complete your FAFSA.
  - b. If you are under the age of 24, not married, not a veteran, or do not have dependent children, you may be required to use your parent(s) income information. If so, one parent will also need to apply for an FSA user ID and password. Your parent will be able to use their assigned FSA user ID and password to sign your FAFSA.
  - c. Northland's school code is: **002385**
    - i. **NOTE:** Northland Community and Technical College will be listed with the Thief River Falls address. This is correct as East Grand Forks and Thief River Falls are one college.
  - d. You and your parent will use your FSA user ID and password to electronically sign your FAFSA.
3. Respond quickly and accurately to any requests for additional documentation or information needed.
  - a. Child care assistance may be available for MN residents. Please contact the Financial Aid Office.
4. Explore other resources of assistance such as a Rehab Services, Workforce Center, Job Service, WIA, Tribal and Indian Scholarships, etc.

**NOTE:** Receiving outside agency funding including academic scholarships may reduce loan eligibility.

- A. Students interested in work study positions should contact the campus work study coordinator in their campus financial aid office for further information. The Work Study program provides funds that are earned through part-time employment to assist students in financing the costs of education.